

PLANS TO SAVE CRIMINAL COSTS

Court Officials to Hear Misdemeanor Cases Brought Up on Presentments.

NO MORE INDICTMENTS

Suggestion T. Pope Shepherd Adopted by Judge McReynolds and Gen. Whitaker.

The plan suggested by Assistant Attorney-General T. Pope Shepherd, which means the savings of thousands of dollars to the taxpayers of Hamilton county was adopted by criminal court officials Monday morning. The plan is for the doing away with grand jury investigations in misdemeanor cases and allowing these cases to go up by presentment signed by the attorney-general and his assistant. Just as a starter, when the grand jury met Monday morning one hundred or more witnesses were excused by the inquisitorial body, which means a saving of one dollar each for their attendance. The order adopted by the court and which is self-explanatory is as follows:

"The following rules of procedure shall be in force and effect in the criminal court of Hamilton county from and after the second Monday in July, 1918:

I. "In all misdemeanor cases bound over from the city court of Chattanooga and the justices of the peace of the county the papers shall be referred to the attorney-general for action and in all proper cases, within the discretion of the attorney-general, informations shall be filed setting forth the offense with description and nature thereof. Such information shall be signed by the attorney-general under his official oath and shall be immediately referred to the attorney-general for action.

II. "It shall be the duty of the said city court and the justices of the peace of the county to file with the clerk of this court the papers in all bond-over cases within two days from the date of the action thereon, and such papers when filed shall be immediately referred to the attorney-general for action.

III. "The attorney-general is authorized to file information in same manner and form upon original complaint made of a violation of any law designated as misdemeanor, if, in his judgment, the facts disclosed warrant a prosecution.

IV. "Upon the order of the attorney-general subpoena for any witness desired in the investigation of any misdemeanor case shall be issued and served as in cases before the grand jury, and such witnesses shall be required to present himself at the grand jury room in the courthouse and be examined under oath by the attorney-general or assistant attorney-general.

V. "Nothing in these rules shall interfere with the right of the grand jury to make investigations and return indictments or presentments in misdemeanor cases.

VI. "Upon return and filing of information the clerk of the court shall post in a conspicuous place in his office a list of the informations filed, giving the name of each defendant and the offense charged. All informations returned shall be noted on the record and entered on the rule docket as in indictments and presentments.

VII. "All defendants shall have five days from the filing and posting of informations, as above directed, in which to demand a jury trial, by entry on rule docket. Unless a demand for jury trial is made within such time a trial by jury shall be considered waived and the case placed on the nonjury docket and tried by the court without a jury. Provided that if defendants are not under arrest or bond they shall have five days from date of arrest in which to demand a jury trial, and provided further that in any case a jury trial may be granted, within the discretion of the court, upon motion duly made showing a reasonable excuse for failure to demand a jury trial.

VIII. "The attorney-general shall have the same right to demand a jury trial in any case.

IX. "In all other respects cases originating by information shall be proceeded with as in like cases of indictment and presentment."

COMMITTEE WILL RATIFY UNOPPOSED CANDIDATES

The Hamilton county republican executive committee will meet at the courthouse Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock for the purpose of ratifying the unopposed candidates for the

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upper and lower house of representatives. The candidate for the upper house is Finney Carter and for the lower house, Charley Linn, Stuart Gill and Jesse Priddy.

B. Y. P. U. SERVICE FLAG CONTAINS MANY STARS

Presentation Will Be Made by Dr. Allen Fort at Big Meeting Tonight.

At the meeting of the city B. Y. P. U. in the Baptist tabernacle Monday evening at 8 o'clock a flag containing 117 stars for young men of this organization who are in the service of Uncle Sam will be presented. The presentation is to be made by Dr. Allen Fort, former pastor of the tabernacle, who will deliver an address. An address will also be delivered by Dr. J. B. Phillips, present tabernacle pastor. R. O. Bell will be in charge of the patriotic service. There is to be a vocal solo by Miss Ann Rymer; an address by Dr. Harold Major, pastor of the First Baptist church; a vocal duet by Miss Willie Webb and Miss Margaret McWhorter; the roll call of absentees will be answered by the various unions, and the singing of "America" by the congregation.

The honor roll of those in the service follows:

Rossville—R. J. Wheeler, J. C. Baker, L. V. Hawkes, Harry Bock, Gordon Smith.

Avondale—William B. Martin, Clarence J. Bivens, Benjamin Ray, James Shipman, Ernest Martin, James Clyde Hodges, Roy M. Peoples, Fred Durham, Frank Wallace.

St. Elmo—Fred Arnold, Horace Collins, John Criswell, Jinx Davis, Lee Davis, Grover Davis, Carl Drinnon, Glenn Fry, Wilson Gustwick, J. D. Hill, Charlie Hammill, Clark Killingsworth, Martin Lamb, Herbert McDonald, Fred Mills, Horton Phillips, Henry White, Granville Watson.

Oak Grove—Paul Murphy, Clarence Robinson, J. E. Moxley.

Woodland Park—Eugene Eaker, Henry Elrod, Frank McBride, Clyde Dougherty, Raymond Hixon.

North Chattanooga—George Thompson, Charles Morris.

Central—Emmett Rolston, Gus Wood, Ernest West, Ernest Douglass, James Fairweather, Tim Sanders, Carlton Wright, Ben Frank Ingram, Leland Cash, Junius Maceon.

Highland Park—C. E. Powell, R. E. Powell, Ben Rohannon, Alex Keese, C. J. Williams, C. C. Price, Peyton Brien, Howard Anchors, V. A. Moore, Vergil Hardy, Mr. Harper, Mr. Bangs, E. J. Denkins, Mr. Naugler, J. Stone, H. W. Mahone, Omar Arnold, Gordon Trehwitt, Ernest Holt, Herbert Farmer, Tom Farmer.

East Lake—William Scasbric, Grover C. Woodall, George Green, W. Oscar Daniel.

Tabernacle Adults—Joseph Mayo, A. B. McCallum, Norman Tiffen, Charles Phelps, Charles Sherin, D. E. James, Walter Clark, Mr. Backus.

Tabernacle Seniors—Keith Harris, Carl McDaniel, Ervin Cooke, Roy Hurst, Julian Phillips, W. Herrington, Dewey Scroggins, W. C. Parker, Joe Worts, Roy Duncan, Van Johnson, Everett Harris, Harry Carson, Roy Sullivan, Morris Sullivan, Guyon Sullivan.

First Baptist—Walter Jenkins, Ralph Hudson, I. L. Wade, Jr., J. H. Strickland, John McGlothlin, Louis Skilton, Wade Martin Burnette, C. E. Jones, Corbin Woodard, J. A. Gillespie, Earl Robinson, Clifton Wright, Dan C. Sawyer, Jr., Will Martin, *Xavier Kusk.

*Died while in service on Mexican border.

GRAND JURORS BEGIN PROBE OF WORKHOUSE

Alleged Whipping of Charley Long Basis of Extensive Investigation.

The Hamilton county grand jury is in session Monday and the recent alleged whipping of Charley Long, a negro, at the workhouse is undergoing a sweeping investigation and it is thought the jury will report some indictments incident to the whipping of the negro. It will be remembered that some time ago Long charged that two workhouse guards had beat him unmercifully, and he showed the stripes on his body as proof of his statement.

Chairman Frank Spurlock stated that when the workhouse commission met they would also investigate the story of Long. Early Monday morning a number of guards were seen outside the grand jury room and it was stated that they would be called before the inquisitorial body some time during the day.

PUBLISH THRIFT STAMP "SLACKER LIST" SOON

Men of Means Who Fail to Buy Being Listed—Meeting at Nashville.

Tennessee's thrift stamp, "slacker list," which may cause a mild social furor upon publication, is rapidly being compiled and Hamilton county's section, though probably of no great length, will have a personnel which is surprising. It is the plan of the war savings committee to publish the list of names in each county of men in that section whose means are known to be ample, but who have failed to purchase thrift stamps. Those whose purchases are ludicrously small will also be added.

Richard Hardy, vice-director, and Mrs. Nora A. Parker, secretary of the state committee, will attend a meeting in Nashville Wednesday, where representatives of eighteen counties which failed to sell their quota will discuss plans for completing the sale. These counties are not to be allowed to fall short and a second drive of some sort will be devised to complete the quota.

T. R. Preston, state director, commenting on the situation today, stated that it is beyond his understanding how people can refuse to respond to these patriotic plans for financing the war. As an illustration of the necessity of a liberal response he pointed out that the people of Belgium are now being taxed \$150 a year per capita by the German government. "They can no longer pay in money," he said, "but must supply in hides, wood or any other valuable that they may still possess. I see where Mr. McAdoo says that victory for Germany would probably mean the turning of the British, Italian and French navies over to the Hun. This would mean world domination for all time. So you see what we face, and by the Belgian example, what we have missed; whereby it behooves us all to buy all the bonds and thrift stamps that it is possible to take care of."

"IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE"



This old, time-worn adage "it pays to advertise" has again been verified as William Merriman, a private of the recruit depot at Fort Oglethorpe, is ready to testify. Merriman advertised for a wife and Saturday, after an inspection and a personal interview with ten or more "willing girls," he picked Miss Francis Starnes, whose picture appears along with him in the accompanying group. The interviews, as stated Saturday, were held in the mayor's office, and the wedding after the preliminaries had all been arranged, took place at the Elks' home, Rev. Roy O. Bachman officiating and members of the club as attendants.

The soldier and his bride are at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Anna Starnes, 110 East First street.

Private Merriman will not remain in Fort Oglethorpe long. He has just received a memorandum from the office of the chief of engineers war department of his approaching transfer to Camp A. A. Humphreys, Accotink, Va.

Here the soldier will take a course of training as locomotive engineer for service in France. This course carries a lieutenant's rank. He will carry his wife with him when he reports to his new quarters.

Once in France, his duties will be to operate a locomotive behind the lines.

HOUSTON HARPER GOES TO HOTEL SEMINOLE

John Lovell Made Manager of Patten—Prominent Civic Worker.

Former assistant manager and treasurer of the Hotel Patten, since 1910, has been appointed manager of the hotel, succeeding Houston R. Harper, who has gone to Jacksonville, Fla., to assume the position of manager of the Seminole.

The announcement of this change, made by J. B. Pound Saturday, came unexpectedly and was a surprise to many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harper. Mr. Harper came to Chattanooga eight years ago, two years after the Hotel Patten was opened, and took charge of it.

John E. Lovell is well known throughout the city by his most active connections with the civic organizations. He has been a prominent member of the Chattanooga Automobile club, the Dixie Highway association, the Kiwanis club and many other organizations.

During the last liberty loan drive he was a member of the parade committee that worked so faithfully in making the big demonstration such a success. Mr. Lovell became manager of the hotel Sunday night and Mr. Harper left at once for Florida.

The successor to Mr. Lovell has not as yet been named and it is not known whether one will be appointed, as it is probably the intention of Mr. Pound to make Mr. Lovell the sole manager.

Mr. Lovell is a native of Middle Tennessee, and he began his career in the hotel business as a clerk in the Maxwell House, Nashville, rising to chief clerk. He came to Chattanooga to accept the position as auditor of the Hotel Patten, and soon made such rapid strides that he was given the position of assistant manager, coupled with the office of treasurer.

Mr. Lovell is one of the most efficient hotel men in the south, and he perhaps enjoys as large an acquaintance as any man that has presided over the desk in recent years. He has original manner and this has won him friends with the traveling public, a very necessary requirement for a successful hotel man.

NEGROES ARE REMOVED FROM LOUISIANA JAIL

Murderers Taken From Monroe to Shreveport to Prevent Mob Violence.

Monroe, La., July 2.—Because of threatened mob violence five negroes in the Ouachita parish jail here, charged with participation in the recent murder near Columbia of Blanchard Warner, a white man, last night were taken to Shreveport for safekeeping. The negroes were brought here from Columbia, where threats had been made to remove them from the jail.

Warner was killed by pistol shots fired by negroes while he was addressing a war savings stamp meeting.

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HEARING OF SQUIRES' MANDAMUS CASE

Chancellor Garvin Will Hear Argument During Monday Afternoon.

The hearing of the mandamus proceeding of Squires M. H. Eager, Fred R. Foster and W. I. Stoner, which were filed some time ago were begun in the chancery court Monday afternoon before Chancellor W. B. Garvin.

Squire Eager is seeking to have his name placed on the official ballot as representative from Mission Ridge. Squire Foster from the Third precinct and Mr. Stoner from Lookout Mountain. The proceedings are in the nature of an attack on the constitutionality of the new redistricting law cutting down the representation in the county court from twenty-three to seven. The proceedings will be awaited with interest as they are of vast importance to Hamilton county.

YPOGRAPHICAL UNION BOOSTS EQUAL SUFFRAGE

Anthony Amendment Indorsed and Senator Shields Urged to Vote for It.

A resolution indorsing the Susan B. Anthony amendment providing for equal suffrage for women and urging that Senator John K. Shields reverse his attitude in this matter was adopted by Chattanooga Typographical union No. 89 by unanimous vote at the regular session of that body Sunday. It was set forth in the resolution that Senator Shields had failed to align himself with other progressive senators in the advocacy of woman suffrage. The resolution follows:

"Whereas, there is now pending in the congress of the United States an amendment to the federal constitution known as the Susan B. Anthony amendment, providing for equal suffrage for women; and

"Whereas, this legislation is in line with the principles and objects of the American Federation of Labor, and its enactment at this time, when the civilized nations are engaged in a struggle for democracy and equity among all the peoples of the earth, who be peculiarly fitting; and

"Whereas, Senator John K. Shields, of Tennessee, has failed to align himself with other progressive senators in the advocacy of this measure, but, to the contrary, has cast his vote against its passage; therefore, be it

"Resolved, by Chattanooga Typographical union No. 89, in regular session assembled, that we earnestly urge on Senator Shields that he reverse his attitude in this matter, and, when opportunity again offers, that he cast his vote in favor of the submission of the Susan B. Anthony amendment for ratification by the states; be it further

"Resolved, That our delegation in the Chattanooga Trades and Labor council be instructed to introduce and urge the passage of this resolution by that body at its next meeting; be it further

"Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished Senator Shields, and also the newspapers of this city for publication."

DOCK STREET MUST CHANGE HIS PETITION

Document Addressed to Election Commission—This May Not Vitalize It, However.

The petition of Squire Dock Street, who is an independent candidate for justice of the peace from the Third district, will have to be changed according to law. The petition, which is signed by fifteen citizens urging the justice to make the race, is addressed to the election commission, and should have been addressed to Squire Street when then handed by him to the commission. It is not known whether this will make any material difference, but the petition as it now stands is not according to law.

Squire Street was recently defeated for one of the justices of the peace from his district by a small vote, and, at the request of his friends, is now running as an independent candidate.

BUSY MAKING UP DOCKET OF CRIMINAL COURT

All Old Cases Set So That the Decks May Be Cleared for the New Regime.

Judge McReynolds is busy assigning his docket for the next week, at which time he will hold court in order that all the old cases may be cleared from the docket before the incoming officials take office.

Atty.-Gen. Whitaker will be succeeded by George W. Chamlee and Assistant Attorney-General T. Pope Shepherd will be succeeded by some appointee of Mr. Chamlee. No announcement of who he will appoint as his assistant has been made by Mr. Chamlee and he said he would not give the matter the least consideration until after the election.

There are a number of cases on the docket of women charged with vagrancy that will be disposed of at the next session.

MRS. HARPER WILL CALL ON LOCAL MANUFACTURERS

Representative of the Manufacturers' Record, of Baltimore, in the City.

C. Harper, representing the Manufacturers' Record, of Baltimore, is in the city in the interest of his publication and will call upon the manufacturers of Chattanooga, hoping to induce them to become interested in the advantages of patronizing the south's greatest manufacturers' journal, which has, in the past, so much catered to southern enterprises.

ONLY A FEW MOTIONS HEARD BY BACHMAN

The circuit court was in session on Monday morning and a few motions were heard by Judge J. L. Bachman, after which court adjourned. It is probable that it will be the last time Judge Bachman will preside over the court, as he goes on the supreme court Sept. 1. Judge Bachman will be succeeded by Hon. Oscar Yarnell.

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